



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 09/902,970  
Applicant : Ruud Egas  
Title : "Sleeve with Guidance Ring"  
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Art Unit : 2856  
Examiner : Robert R. Reavis

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the and the Advisory Action of December 15<sup>th</sup> 2003 and the Office Action of September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2003, indicated as being final, Applicant submits a petition for a one month extension of time to reply and appropriate fees and applicant requests that the following amendments be entered in the above-identified application:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Argument** begin on page 3 of this paper.